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## HONEY PLANTS

Fall Offering 1951

EVERFLOWERING of 1951 A great novelty in a tree with everflowering recharacteristics. Our trees have fragrant bloom

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all summer long. Very quick growing tree for windbreak or shade. Promising for nectar.



Everflowering Locust comes into bloom in late May (in Iowa).

### DELLETT GARDENS

Atlantic, Iowa

#### BEAUTY BUSH

(Kolkwitzia amabilis)

A nice ornamental, flowering very heavily for an extended period late May and into June. Bees visit the flowers freely. Of the large variety of shrubbery we have growing here, we think this one is just about tops as a combination ornamental shrub and honey plant. Makes a nice looking bush to eight feet tall.



Beauty Bush-fine ornamental and good honey plant.

Plant this fall—makes for a strong start in the spring. In the north, cover with dirt right over the tops for this winter, pull the dirt away in the spring.

18 to 24 inch size, each \$1.50; 3 for \$4.00; post-paid.

#### BITTERSWEET

(Celastrus scandens)

Vine or climbing shrub noted for bright scarlet seed clusters, much sought for winter bouquets. Good for trellis or arbor. The flowers are freely visited by bees.

Plant this fall. In the north bank dirt around them 8 inches above ground to prevent heaving this winter. Plant three or four at a place to insure both staminate and pistillate blossoms for fruit set.

Strong two year, 2 to 3 feet: 4 for \$2.00; dozen for \$5.00; postpaid.

## Unusual and Attractive Good Honey Plants For Gardens and Borders

These are hardy perennials. Plant them this fall for a strong start in the spring. In the north mulch well for protection this winter. We will ship after freeze sufficient so the plants become dormant—usually late October. Water in if necessary to insure they are planted with good moisture.

NOTE: Please do not order less than \$2.00 worth of plants in a shipment.

#### WILD INDIGO

(Baptisa australis)

Attractive in foliage and flower—grows into a stately clump three feet tall. Large clusters of pealike flowers in June.

One year plants, each 40c; 4 for \$1.00; 12 for \$2.50, postpaid.

#### PURPLE LOOSESTRIFE

(Lythrum salicaria)

A fine ornamental garden perennial growing to three feet or more tall. Purple flowers on long spikes in late summer and fall. Very heavily worked by bees. Will grow also in wet places.

One year plants, each 40c; 4 for \$1.00; postpaid.

GARDEN HYSSOP (Hyssopus offinalis). Stocky thick growth to two feet tall. Numerous blue flowers, not showy but ornamental in mass. Usually swarming with bees for weeks, June to September.

Strong one year plants: Each 40c; 4 for \$1.00; postpaid.



NEW ENGLAND ASTER,

probably the most showy of the wild asters; grows to four or five feet tall and blooms in the fall with showy purple flowers.

Divisions: each, 40c; 4 for \$1.00; 12 for \$2.50; postpaid.

NEPETA GRANDIFLORA, with wide spreading growth and intermittent bloom most of the summer through early fall makes a very attractive planting for the right locations. To two feet tall. Easy to grow, needs plenty of room. Flowers rich in nectar and usually humming with bees.

One year plants: each 40c; 4 for \$1.00, postpaid.

## JERUSALEM SAGE (Phlomis tuberosa)

Showy member of the Mint family, flowers to a height of four feet. Well suited for background planting. Easy to grow. Blooms heavily in midsummer, very attractive to the bees.

One year tubers: Each 40c; four for \$1.00; 12 for \$2.50; postpaid.



GOLDEN HONEY PLANT or Wingstem is an August bloomer and one of the best native honey plants of the middlewest. Grows to five or six feet tall with irregular yellow flowers. Plant in sheltered location such as woodland edge or fencerow.

One year plants: each 25c; 8 for \$1.00; 25 for \$2.50; 100 for \$8.00; postpaid.

SIMPSON HONEY PLANT or Figwort is a famous honey plant for sun or partial shade. To three feet or more tall. It blooms in the late summer and fall with flowers, inconspicuous but numerous and rich in nectar.

One year plants or divisions: each 35c; 5 for \$1.00; 12 for \$2.00; postpaid.

#### Collection Offer

Select six varieties you want; order \$1.00 worth of plants of each of the six for \$5.00; postpaid.

ORDER NOW—We will ship as the trees, plants or seeds are ready. The time of shipping the trees and plants may depend upon how soon we have a freeze to make them drop their leaves to be in condition for transplanting. Thus your order may not all come at once, but you may be assured that we are endeavoring to get it all to you at the proper time.

#### Conditions of Sale

Plants ordered for fall or early spring shipment we guarantee to arrive in good growable condition. (In case express or insured shipment is broken in transit, receiver should get the proper notation upon arrival). Items sold out or for some reason we cannot supply, we refund as soon as this is known. We cannot be in any way responsible for the crop and it is mutually agreed that our liability in any instance is limited to the original purchase price.

PELLETT GARDENS, Atlantic, Iowa

## Honey Plants From Seed Planted in Late Fall

Late fall is a good time to plant the seeds of most of our perennial honey plants. This should be done during the last month before freezeup (November in our climate). This puts the seed into the ground when it is too late for it to germinate this fall and so the seed will be there ready to start during the most favorable time of cool weather and good moisture conditions of early spring.

Make the seedbed as you would for planting any kind of small seeds. Regarding depth of planting, a fair rule to follow is to plant any seed at a depth of four times the thickness of the seed. Remember that with very small seed that is almost on top of the ground. And it is all right to plant the finer seeds on top of a well worked seedbed and they will work into the soil during the winter or the seed can be covered very lightly by raking. When you have finished planting the seed, if your soil is inclined to crust following winter, then scatter a little straw or other loose material over the seedbed to serve as a very light mulch to prevent this crusting and the surface drying out next spring while the seeds are starting.

The following seeds suitable for late fall planting. Most of them should bloom the first year from seed.

Giant Hyssop Garden Hyssop Purple Loosestrife Wild Aster Mixture Wild Indigo Chapman Honey Plant Nepeta Grandiflora Mountain Mint
Anise Hyssop
Catnip (nepeta cataria)
Golden Honey Plant
Simpson Honey Plant
Motherwort
Golden Cleome

Prices:

Any 6 Packets for \$1.00. Any 14 Packets for \$2.00.

(Can be one each of the 14 varieties.)

You may order from our 1951 descriptive catalog, "Seeds of Honey Plants." If you do not have a copy, ask for one. We can supply most items at the same price. Those we cannot send this fall we will send in time for spring planting. If prices have risen on anything you order, we will advise before shipping.

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